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COUNSELOR OF SOVIET PERMDEL TO INTERNATIONAL VIENNA, HAS RECENTLY JOINED HYDROMET, HIS TITLE IS COUNSELOR FOR US-USSR COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, ABOUT 50, HE SPEAKS ENGLISH AND IS URBANE, FRIENDLY, AND EFFICIENT.

EMBASSY WILL PROBABLY HAVE MUCH INTERACTION WITH HIM ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION IMPLEMENTATION. HE APPARENTLY OUT-

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2, CONCERNING ALPHA HELIX EXPEDITION, SOVIETS EXPRESSED APPRECIATION TO ELSNER FOR DOING EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO ACCOMMODATE SOVIET WISHES IN DIFFICULT LOGISTICAL SITUATION. THEY HAVE NO COMPLAINTS ON THAT POINT. ZEMSKIY POINTED OUT THAT ONLY SERIOUS MISUNDERSTANDING WAS THAT HE ALWAYS WAS PROCEEDING ON ASSUMPTION THAT US SIDE WOULD ABIDE BY RECORD OF JANUARY WILDLIFE MEETING WHICH PROVIDES FOR PARTICIPATION ADMIN INTERNAL USE ONLY

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OF TWO SOVIETS ON ALPHA HELIX, WHEREAS ELSNER MADE ARRANGE—
MENTS FOR ONLY ONE, BUT THIS POINT HAS ALSO BEEN RESOLVED
TO SATISFACTION OF BOTH SIDES, BOTH MEN, FEDOSEYEV AND
GOL'TSEV, WILL ARRIVE AS SCHEDULED JULY 15, WITH UNDERSTANDING
THAT ONE MAN WILL REMAIN ON LAND DURING FIRST HALF OF EXPEDITION (UNLESS SPACE PROBLEM, BY CHANCE MIGHT CHANGE TO
ALLOW BOTH TO PARTICIPATE IN ENTIRE EXPEDITION), SOVIETS
APPRECIATE ARRANGEMENTS MADE AT JFK FOR THEM (PARA 2, REF A)
AND UNDERSTAND THAT THEY WILL BE MET UPON ARRIVAL, THEY
POSSESS PREPAID, OPEN TICKETS TO ANCHORAGE (WHICH WILL HAVE TO BE
CHANGED TO FAIRBANKS DESTINATION), AND DO NOT EXPECT
US SIDE TO PAY ANY OF TRAVEL COSTS, HOWEVER, THEY UNDERSTAND
THAT ALL EXPENSES RELATING TO EXPEDITION AND ACCOMMODATION
WITHIN US (INCLUDING PER DIEM) WILL BE PROVIDED BY US SIDE,
IN ACCORDANCE WITH JANUARY DISCUSSIONS.

RE MIGRATING SWAN PROJECT, KRINITSKIY IS OPPOSED TO SÉNDING ANYBODY BUT KISHCHINSKIY. IN JUNE 21 LETTER TO SLADEN, PROPOSAL IS MADE TO POSTPONE PROJECT UNTIL OCTOBER-NOVEMBER PERIOD, WHEN IT IS EXPECTED THAT KISHCHINSKIY WILL HAVE RECOVERED SUFFICIENTLY FROM HIS ILLNESS TO PARTICIPATE. KRINITSKIY'S ARGUMENT WAS THAT SLADEN AND KISHCHINSKIY HAVE BEEN IN CLOSE COLLABORATION ON THIS PROJECT FRO SOME TIME NEW, ARE THEMSELVES THE AUTHORS OF THE PROJECT, UNDERSTAND AND RESPECT EACH OTHER, ARE THE MOST HIGHLY QUALIFIED PERSONS TO IMPLEMENT PROJECT, ETC. HE ADDS THAT KISHCHINSKIY FEELS PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION IN OCT. OR NOV. WOULD BE JUST AS VALUABLE. ONLY CHANGE BEING THAT SWAN WINTERING RATHER THAN SUMMERING WILL BE INVESTIGATED. IN EVENT THAT KISHCHINSKIY UNABLE TO PARTICIPATE EVEN IF PROJECT POSTPONED, PERIOD BETWEEN NOW AND THEN WOULD BE USED BY KISHCHINSKIY TO TRAIN OTHER SCIENTIST TO PARTICIPATE SUCCESSFULL IN THIS PROJECT AT THAT LATER TIME. PLEASE ADVISE. MELENCAMP